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SEN. MORRELL INVITES KEY STAKEHOLDERS TO TESTIFY AT SPECIAL SENATE JUDICIARY B MEETING

ENCOURAGES COMMUNITY LEADERS TO HAVE THEIR VOICES HEARD

The Senate Judiciary B Committee, chaired by District 3 State Senator Jean-Paul "JP" Morrell (D-New Orleans), will hold a special hearing in New Orleans to discuss and gather information on the Louisiana Supreme Court Justice issues and the New Orleans Police Department's policies on data collection during traffic and pedestrian stops, known as field interview cards.

SENATE JUDICIARY B COMMITTEE
SPECIAL HEARING IN NEW ORLEANS
WEDNESDAY, JULY 25TH
10:00 AM
NEW ORLEANS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1300 PERDIDO STREET

Sen. Morrell has sent formal invitations by certified mail to the all Louisiana Supreme Court Justices, temporary Supreme Court Justices, the New Orleans Urban League, the New Orleans NAACP, and Justice Johnson's legal representatives to tell their side of the story on the current Louisiana Supreme Court Justice issues.

He has also sent formal invitations by certified mail to New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu, New Orleans Police Superintendent Ronal Serpas, the Metropolitan Crime Commission of New Orleans, members of the New Orleans City Council, the Urban League of New Orleans, the Police Association of New Orleans, the National Black Police Association Southern Region, and the Department of Justice to join the discussion on field interview cards being used for data collection by New Orleans Police.

"I strongly encourage these, and all, community leaders to join the discussion on these critical issues," said Sen. Morrell. "It is imperative that we in the legislature fully understand the issues that are important to our citizens, and we can only accomplish this by hearing all sides of every story."

For more information, please visit www.legis.la.gov.